Sawdust put on street after truck spills fuel

The Missouri Highway Department covered four blocks of East Chestnut Expressway with sawdust after a tractortrailer unit's diesel tank ruptured, spilling diesel fuel Wednesday afternoon.

According to police, a unit driven by John Stacey, address not given, left American Farm Lines Co., 1458 East Chestnut Expressway, after obtaining diesel fuel Wednesday.

As the unit left at 1:45 p.m.,

the unit apparently jackknifed and the diesel tank between the cab and trailer unit ruptured, police said. The unit is owned by Donco Truck Lines of Oklahoma City.

While the truck traveled east to I-44, the 1400 to 1800 blocks of East Chestnut Expressway were covered with a film of diesel fuel, according to Fire Station No. 1 Capt. Jack Crawford. Fire stations No. 1 and 3 responded to the call.